

hero. He witnessed first-hand the harsh consequences of racial inequality and chose to devote his life to ending that injustice. Fred is an inspiration to so many Americans, across all racial lines, and to me personally. Because of leaders like him, who fought and sacrificed but ultimately believed in our country's ability to empathize and change, we are all better off and our lives more enriched. Fred left an indelible and permanent mark on Kansas City and will be fondly remembered and dearly missed. Fred's life and commitment to empower black voters serves as an inspiration to me and to all Missourians.

I ask that the Senate join me in honoring the life and legacy of Fred Curls.●

CELEBRATING GREEK-AMERICAN CULTURE

● Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, I extend my congratulations to the National Herald for 100 years of respected journalism celebrating Greek-American culture and chronicling every minute of it, bringing vital news and analysis on issues of concern to the Greek-American community.

Socrates said, "There is only one good, knowledge, and one evil, ignorance." For the last 100 years, the National Herald has provided the "one good" and has proudly reflected the fundamental democratic principles that have become Greece's gift to the world.

The Greek-American community has had a profound effect on American culture. Greek-Americans have been instrumental in advancing medicine, business, art, and academics. But the greatest impact has been on governance, and the continuation of the long history of democracy that began in Greece and continues today, as the gold-standard of governing principles. This year, I was proud to once again introduce and lead Senate passage of a resolution recognizing the anniversary of Greek independence and celebrating the long history of democracy that binds our two nations and I will continue to support that relationship, our shared history, and the interests of Greece, Cyprus, and the Hellenic-American community.

The National Herald has always been a valuable source for the latest information on these issues, and I know it will continue its tradition of respected journalism that reaches far beyond the Greek-American community.

I extend my deepest congratulations to the National Herald for 100 successful years and offer my best wishes for many more. Keep up the good work.●

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:18 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2262. An act to facilitate a pro-growth environment for the developing commercial space industry by encouraging private sector investment and creating more stable and predictable regulatory conditions, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 5:44 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MESSER) has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2496. An act to extend the authorization for the replacement of the existing Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Denver, Colorado, to make certain improvements in the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2262. An act to facilitate a pro-growth environment for the developing commercial space industry by encouraging private sector investment and creating more stable and predictable regulatory conditions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 253. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to consolidate the reporting obligations of the Federal Communications Commission in order to improve congressional oversight and reduce reporting burdens (Rept. No. 114-58).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 565. A bill to reduce the operation and maintenance costs associated with the Federal fleet by encouraging the use of remanufactured parts, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-59).

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 286. A bill to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-60).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted, Thursday, May 21, 2015:

By Mr. CORKER for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

*Mary Catherine Phee, of Illinois, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of South Sudan.

Nominee: Mary Catherine Phee.

Post: U.S. Ambassador to South Sudan.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, Amount, Date, and Donee:

1. Self: None.
2. Spouse: N/A.
3. Children and Spouses: N/A.
4. Parents: Mary Catherine Phee: N/A—deceased; Martin Joseph Phee: None.
5. Grandparents: N/A—deceased.
6. Brothers and Spouses: N/A.
7. Sisters and Spouses: Sarah Marie Phee: None; Amy Maureen Phee: \$250, 2/12/2013, Schatz for Senate; \$208, 11/15/2012, Glover Park Group PAC; \$1,000, 8/11/2010, Friends of Blanche Lincoln; \$1,000, 7/28/2010, Friends of Schumer; \$208, 4/30/2010, Glover Park Group PAC; \$208, 3/31/2010, Glover Park Group PAC; Margaret Ellen Phee: None.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BROWN, and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. 1455. A bill to provide access to medication-assisted therapy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. THUNE, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1456. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the way beneficiaries are assigned under the Medicare shared savings program by also basing such assignment on primary care services furnished by Federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and clinical nurse specialists; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 1457. A bill to restore an opportunity for tribal economic development on terms that are equal and fair, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. COATS (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 1458. A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to ensure scientific transparency in the development of environmental regulations and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 1459. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the types of wines taxed as hard cider; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 1460. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the Yellow Ribbon G.I. Education Enhancement Program to cover recipients of the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry scholarship, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 1461. A bill to provide for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small